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## RENZ INDICTED ON FEDERAL CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGES

U.S. Attorney's Office Continues to Assist the District Attorney on the Homicide, Rape, and Carjacking Investigation

Syracuse, New York —A federal grand jury in Syracuse returned an indictment today charging David J. Renz, 29, of Cicero, New York with one count of receiving child pornography and five counts of possession of child pornography, announced United States Attorney Richard S. Hartunian and Special Agent-in-Charge Andrew W. Vale of the Albany Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. If convicted, Renz faces a mandatory minimum of 5 years in prison and a maximum of 20 years in prison on the receiving child pornography charge; a maximum of 10 years in prison on each of the possession of child pornography charges; supervised release of no less than 5 years and up to life; and mandatory registration as a sex offender on all of the charges.<sup>1</sup>

Renz was previously arrested, on January 9, 2013, by the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI") in connection with these child pornography charges. According to the indictment, between 2010 and June 2012, Renz received child pornography through the internet using a homemade computer. The possession charges relate to five DVD and CD's which Renz possessed at the time the FBI executed a federal search warrant at his residence on January 9, 2013.

On March 15, 2013, Renz was arrested again by state authorities in connection with a carjacking, murder, and rape in Clay, New York. U.S. Attorney Hartunian said, "In addition to our federal prosecution of the child pornography charges, my office is continuing to work closely with

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The charges are merely accusations, and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

the Onondaga County District Attorney on these horrific carjacking, murder, and rape offenses."

This case is being investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Lisa Fletcher. For further information, please contact Executive Assistant U.S. Attorney John G. Duncan at (315) 448-0672.